

REMARKS

The enclosed is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on January 12, 2009. By way of the present response, applicants have amended no claims, added no claims, cancelled no claims, and withdrawn claims 29-31, 33, 35-38, 40-43, 45, 46, and 49-52. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application and allowance of all claims now presented.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, Species I (claims 1-3, 5, 9, 11-13, 15, 18, 19, 21, 23-28, and 47-48), without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to claims that encompass the unelected groups of claims.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3), applicant(s) hereby request and authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to (1) treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time and (2) charge all required fees, including extension of time fees and fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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